

WISCONSIN'S LANDOWNER INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Parish Back Bluffs



Black Rat Snake

Project Acreage: 25

LIP Funds Contributed: \$4,000

Benefiting Species:

Purple Milkweed	Tuberclid Orchid
Cream Gentian	Bell's Vireo
Red-headed Woodpecker	Bullsnake
Western Meadowlark	Black Rat Snake
Timber Rattlesnake	Brown Thrasher
Blanding's Turtle	Bald Eagle
Northern Harrier	Whip-poor-will

Project and Site Description

The goal of this project is to expand prairie and savanna habitat with a special emphasis on the basking and den-site needs of snakes. LIP will be funding removal of encroaching cedars and black locusts, creation of a firebreak, and prescribed burning on 25 acres. This work will benefit on-site species and additional species on adjacent property may expand into this area. The landowner is contributing a 52% match composed of both financial investment and in-kind labor and places an emphasis on future maintenance and monitoring species for results.

This site is part of a much larger complex called Snow Bottom Natural Area which features Snow Bottom State Natural Area features a diverse and spectacular landscape encompassing the most significant remaining pine relicts in Wisconsin, as well as many other important and uncommon native plant communities including fen and springs, southern dry-mesic forest and oak woodland, riparian areas, and geological features. Located on the scattered sandstone outcrops are the pine relicts-- isolated stands of white and red pine with occasional jack pine. Some partners protecting and managing the uplands and the trout streams found here include a local land trust, the State Natural Areas Program and Trout Unlimited.



Project Location

